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**APPLICANT:** Leo A. Whiteside  
**SERIAL NO.:** 09/595,352  
**FILED:** June 15, 2000  
**EXAMINER:** Bruce E. Snow  
**DOCKET NO.:** WBC 7403US  
**GROUP ART UNIT:** 3738  
**FOR:** Acetabular Component With  
Improved Liner Seal and Lock

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**AMENDMENT C UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 AFTER FINAL REJECTION  
IN RESPONSE TO THE EXAMINER'S ACTION MAILED MAY 21, 2002**

Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's action mailed May 21, 2002. Applicant submits herewith a petition for a one (1) month extension of time, along with the requisite fee. Claims 10 - 13 are pending in the application.

**In the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

10. A prosthesis comprising:

a shell having at least one screw hole formed therein and a smooth inner sealing

surface:

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